

DX LISTENING DIGEST 2-163, October 22, 2002
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WORLD OF RADIO 1152:

NEXT AIRING ON WWCR: Wed 0930 9475

NEXT AIRIMG ON RFPI: Wed 0100, 0700 on 7445, 15038

ONDEMAND <http://www.wrn.org/ondemand/worldofradio.html>

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WORLD OF RADIO 1153:

FIRST AIRING ON WBCQ: Wed 2200 on 7415, 17495

** ABKHAZIA. 9489.74, 0305-, Abkhaz Radio, Sep 27. Very difficult catch at this time due to cochannel on 9490. Russian news then ads at 0306:40 (these are typical CIS format with the word 'Reklyama' which means advertisement, and into numerous ads. Weather at 0308 (for Russia) and Radio Rossii ID at 0309:15. Good morning in Russian at 0310, so possibly local programming at this time, but too hard to hear. Monitored again later at 0730 with much better reception and no cochannel. Local language. Abkhazia mentioned at 0737. 0800 local Russian news. ID at 0804:45. Signed off at 0815 (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALASKA. Re: darkness east of Nome: You're welcome to let Les know - he's at rfn@nook.net, or you can visit the KNOM website at <http://www.knom.org> - but if the DX test is at high power for any length of time, I think that's fine! Now if I could just get WBBM and/or KKOH to reply to my request to power down, even for a little

while during the test! (Lynn Hollerman, LA, IRCA via DXLD)

I did just that, and got these replies: (gh)

Thank you for the information! The decision to drop back to 14 kW was made by management in consideration of a number of factors. I don't think it's a hard-and-fast one, so will bring your message to the GM when he returns next week and perhaps something can be arranged.

Part of the problem is that I have to be away from Nome for several days with the test period right in the middle. If I were here myself, not having to deal with staffing to make sure the changes are done, it would be much easier. Still, there are good possibilities in this. Thanks again, (Les Brown, KNOM, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good news! I took your message to management and they agreed to allow the test period not only to run until 6, but for the entirety of the International Experimental Period...from midnight to local sunrise! The 12-midnight (12:01 am Saturday, 10/26) to 1 am programming will be as outlined, AP News on the hour/local weather (extensive, I warn you) with Polish Polkas and lots of voice and Morse ID's. At 1 am, normal AP network news, weather, etc. then our local programming which will include Casey Kasem's Top 40 but with lots of extra ID's, both voice and Morse. I haven't heard back from any of those who had asked other 780 stations to allow us one clear hour, so must presume they won't be cooperating. This likely will severely limit reception possibilities. Still, best of luck! If you haven't already, please see our website at <http://www.knom.org> Lots of pictures and some recently added audio, though not streaming. Please let me know what you think of it (Les Brown, KNOM Engineering, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very good. Appreciate your efforts to accomplish this. Could you tell me when local sunrise is at the moment, in case I can't get it calculated accurately. Yes, I already had a look at your website, including the photo of yourself. Very good; I wish more stations went into such detail about their history and facilities. Would be nice to be able to hear you streaming in future, once the DX test and QSLing is completed... Any plans to do so? (Glenn Hauser to Les Brown, DXLD)

I don't have a table of exact sunrise times but rather work from the FCC determined "legal sunrise" from our AM license. For the month of October it's 9:45 am Alaska Daylight Time. That's 8:45 Alaska Standard Time but Saturday will still be Daylight Time, the change happening Sunday morning. I don't deal in UT normally, so won't attempt to translate it. Just in case it helps, though, here's a breakdown that probably is insultingly simplistic....but the best I can do!

9:45 AM ADT = 10:45 AM Pacific DT = 11:45 AM Mountain DT = 12:45 PM

Central DT = 1:45 PM Eastern DT. [1745 UT]

Our start-time for the test, therefore, is:

12:01 AM (Saturday, 10/26) = 1:01 AM PDT = 2:01 AM MDT = 3:01 AM CDT = 4:01 AM EDT. [0801 UT]

KNOM is supported by over 10,000 donors nationwide, many of them contributing only a few dollars a month, but enough to keep us in operation. Lots of them are along in years but very much Internet literate. Our website is so extensive because of their interests. Though KNOM is owned by The Catholic Church, it's not a traditional religious station. We try to make life just a little better for the people of 200+ remote villages through encouraging good physical and mental health. Our main "battles", if you will, are against alcoholism (not social drinking) which is rampant in bush Alaska and against spousal/child abuse which also is nearly universal.

The copyright courts have made streaming prohibitive. We have no commercial income; only donations, so can't afford the outrageous fees to music licensing organizations for streaming. To spend any of our limited income on streaming would take away from our ability to serve our primary audience! Until/unless there is some change in music licensing, we just can't do it.

Gotta run now; leaving town in about 22 hours, so will be off e-mail for a week or more. Thanks for your interest, hope you hear us! (Les Brown, KNOM, Oct 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Previously:

Also, I e-mailed Les Brown of KNOM about their upcoming DX test - here's his reply:

"Yes, the actual test hour is already "recorded". We use a Prophet Systems NexGen automation system and I voice-track my 9pm-6am thing two weeks ahead. Lots of polkas, about 2.5 minutes each, with ID in between each pair, voice, Morse, or both. All regular PSA's (we're non-commercial) have been pulled and replaced with station promos which are sort of ID's in themselves.

I've had a couple of messages asking that we try to extend from the 1 am cutoff toward the original 6 am proposal. I'll talk to management today and see if they'll let me keep the power up. IF we do that, I'll load in extra ID opportunities but won't be able to run polkas the whole time. We have a very vocal audience for Casey Kasem's Top 40 that normally runs 12-4 Saturday mornings. Lately we've been cutting it to three hours, eliminating the music with the filthy lyrics, the drug culture messages, and (most important) the many popular pieces that are denigrating to and encouraging of violence against women. We have a terrible spousal and child abuse problem in Western Alaska

(mostly alcohol related) and don't want to encourage it. If we do come up with an extension I'll let you know immediately by e-mail. Thanks, Les" (via Lynn Hollerman, IRCA Oct 21, via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. Think of HCJB and you may also think of bananas, as a large proportion of New Zealand's imports of the fruit come from Ecuador. Well, here's another HCJB-banana story. SW readers will know that HCJB is building a new transmitter complex at Kununurra, Western Australia. It's due to begin on December 22, 2002 with an Asian Service, South Pacific Service and an Ethiopian Service. The site is near the Ord River and is located on a farm. The farm is planted in crops of sugar, bananas, mangoes, and pawpaw and income from the sale of these crops helps the HCJB project (Ralph Sutton, Wellington kindly sent Many Hands the HCJB New Zealand publication which includes this news.) (David Ricquish, NZ, Nov NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** AZERBAIJAN? 9154.95, 1708-, Ashura Radio, Sep 26. Presumed logging with a strong S9 + 20 signal with EZL middle eastern type music, with minimal QRM (unlike in North America, where I only can hear the QRM). Continued past 18:00, and signed off at 1859 with either an anthem or patriotic song (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BAHAMAS. Sometimes, this hobby needs much patience. Some 32 years ago, I used to hear ZNS Bahamas 1540 regularly, but could never QSL them. In 1989, whilst on vacation on Harbor Island, I logged the 3 AM and 1 FM ZNS outlets and have been trying for some 13 years to secure a QSL. I recently found an email address for the GM of ZNS which sounded more promising than others. Imagine my surprise to get an almost immediate reply, and now I have four Bahamas QSLs, a new country verified and some more enthusiasm for sending reports. Those follow ups can sometimes score a bullseye, so dig out the old reports and get them away again. And, never give up on a station (David Ricquish, NZ, Oct NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** BELARUS`. 4982, 1431-, Mayak Relay, Sep 26. Good reception of this Belarussian relay of the Russian Mayak program. Also heard following morning at 0432 (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS. 6080, 1423-, Belarus Home Service, Sep 26. Home service programming in Belarussian at 1423 with very good reception. Monitored again at 0313 27/09 with only fair reception with transmitter hum and adjacent splatter. Parallel at this time included 11960 fair with cochannel and 279 LW excellent (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELGIUM [and non]. RVI, B02 schedule read Oct 13-14 on Brussels

1043 program [with targets, azimuths, sites added by gh from printed schedule received Oct 21]

1830 7465 284 Eu Krasnodar [Rich copied both times as 7645]
13685 180 SWEu Skelton
13650 115 SEEu/ME Skelton
1512 ND Eu Wolvertem
2030 7465 284 Eu Krasnodar
1512 ND Eu Wolvertem
2230 13700 250 Am Bonaire [N, C, SAm, tho aimed at ENAm]
0400 11985 320 Am Bonaire [N, C, Sam, tho aimed at WNA]m]
0800 5985 ND Eu Jlich
1512 ND Eu Wolvertem
1130 7390 244 EAs Petropavlovsk [Rich says also on 1512 MW]
1230 1512 ND Eu Wolvertem
(via Richard Lemke, AB, and gh, DXLD)

The reason for giving the sked in this order, tho Rich's started with the 1130, and the printed sked with 0400, is that on weekdays, the first broadcast of each program day cycle is at 1830; except Sat & Sun when the first broadcast is at 0800 and the last UT Sun & Mon 0400, with the Friday features held over until the Mon 0800, 1130 and 1230 repeats. BTW, Network Europe, the multi-station collaboration has a special airtime, Sat 0830 -- on the same frequencies as 0800?? Each weekday broadcast begins with NEWS, ends with SOUNDBOX, i.e. music fill. In between:

Mon-Tue FOCUS ON EUROPE, SPORTS
Tue-Wed GREEN SOCIETY
Wed-Thu THE ARTS, AROUND TOWN
Thu-Fri ECONOMICS, INTERNATIONAL REPORT
Fri-Mon THE ARTS, TOURISM

Sat MUSIC FROM FLANDERS
Sun RADIO WORLD, TOURISM, BRUSSELS 1043, SOUNDBOX

It's been some two months since Frans Vossen broke his foot at EDXC, but Radio World still has not resumed; we hope he is almost recovered! Website <http://rvi.be/uk/hoeontvang/realaudio/index.htm> says

``Unfortunately we are unable to bring you any new editions of Radio World at the moment. A recent edition of Radio World will remain online for the time being.`` (Glenn Hauser, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOUGAINVILLE. PAPUA NEW GUINEA 3850, R. Independent Mekamui (tentative), 1139 20 Oct, Carrier strength improving and bits of music coming through, but just too weak and too much Ham QRM. Will take an

excellent opening and clear frequency to ID this (Dave Valko, PA,
Cumbre DX via DXLD)

3850 1018 10 Sept, PNG (Bougainville) R Independente Meka Mui
fair/good in Tok Pisin with music (David Norrie, Auckland, NZ DX Times
via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4875, Radio Roraima, Av. Cap. Ene Garcez 888, S,,o
Francisco, Boa Vista, Roraima. QSL letter full data in 33 days. V/S:
Galv,,o Soares, General Manager. The web page is:
<http://www.radororaima.com.br> and they tell me about the Roraima web
page in <http://www.bvroraima.com> The station is administrated by the
Roraima government from 01/04/57. The station received reception
reports and letters from Canada, USA, Italy, Sweden, New Zealand and
Argentina. Sent me a small book about the station too (Arnaldo Slaen,
Argentina, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** BULGARIA. Winter B-02 schedule of RADIO BULGARIA from October 27 to
March 30: ADDR: 4, Dragan Tsankov Blvd., 1040 Sofia and P. O. Box 900,
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Frequency Manager: Ivo Ivanov e-mail: rbul1@nationalradio.bg

MW: Petrich (G.C: 23.18E/41.42N): 747 kHz 500 kW/non-dir
Vidin (G.C: 22.40E/43.49N): 1224 kHz 500 kW/205 deg

SW: P=Plovdiv/Padarsko (G.C: 24.42E/42.10N): 2 x 500 kW, 3 x 250 kW
S=Sofia/Kostinbrod (G.C: 23.13E/42.49N): 2 x 100 kW, 2 x 050 kW

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ALBANIAN / e-mail:albanian@nationalradio.bg

0630-0700	Mon-Fri	Balkans	5900 P250/248,	1224
0700-0800	Sat/Sun	Balkans	5900 P250/248,	1224
1200-1230	-daily-	Balkans	9500 P250/248	
1700-1730	-daily-	Balkans	5900 P250/248,	1224
2000-2100	-daily-	Balkans	5900 P250/248,	1224, 747

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BULGARIAN / e-mail:bulgarian@nationalradio.bg

0100-0200	-daily-	North America	7400 P500/295,	9400 P500/306
0100-0200	-daily-	South America	5900 P250/258,	11600 P250/245
0530-0600	Mon-Fri	West Europe	5800 P500/295,	9400 P500/306
0530-0600	Mon-Fri	Balkans	5900 P250/248,	1224
0530-0600	Mon-Fri	East Europe	7500 S100/030,	9500 S100/030
0500-0600	Sat/Sun	West Europe	5800 P500/295,	9400 P500/306
0500-0600	Sat/Sun	Balkans	5900 P250/248,	1224
0500-0600	Sat/Sun	East Europe	7500 S100/030,	9500 S100/030

1100-1130	-daily-	Balkans	9500	P250/248	
1100-1130	-daily-	East Europe	11700	S100/030,	15200 S100/030
1100-1130	-daily-	West Europe	12000	P500/295,	15700 P500/306
1300-1500	-daily-	Balkans	1224		
1300-1500	-daily-	West Europe	12000	P500/295,	15700 P500/306
1600-1700	-daily-	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224
1600-1700	-daily-	East Europe	7500	S100/030,	9900 S100/030
1600-1700	-daily-	Middle East	9400	P500/126	
1600-1700	-daily-	South Africa	17500	P500/185	
1900-2000	-daily-	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224, 747
1900-2100	-daily-	West Europe	6000	P250/306	
1900-2100	-daily-	Middle East	7400	P250/140	

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ENGLISH / e-mail:english@nationalradio.bg [see note below]

0000-0000	-daily-	North America	7400	P500/295,	9400 P500/306
0300-0400	-daily-	North America	7400	P500/295,	9400 P500/306
0730-0800	-daily-	West Europe	12000	P500/295,	13600 P500/306
1230-1300	-daily-	West Europe	12000	P500/295,	15700 P500/306
1830-1900	-daily-	West Europe	5800	P500/295,	7500 P500/306
2200-2300	-daily-	West Europe	5800	P500/295,	7500 P500/306

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FRENCH / e-mail:french@nationalradio.bg

0200-0300	-daily-	North America	7400	P500/295,	9400 P500/306
0700-0730	-daily-	West Europe	12000	P500/295,	13600 P500/306
1200-1230	-daily-	West Europe	12000	P500/295,	15700 P500/306
1800-1830	-daily-	West Europe	5800	P500/295,	7500 P500/306
2100-2200	-daily-	West Europe	5800	P500/295,	7500 P500/306

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GERMAN / e-mail:german@nationalradio.bg

0600-0630	-daily-	West Europe	5800	P500/295,	9400 P500/306
1130-1200	-daily-	West Europe	12000	P500/295,	15700 P500/306
1730-1800	-daily-	West Europe	5800	P500/295,	7500 P500/306
2000-2100	-daily-	West Europe	5800	P500/295,	7500 P500/306

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GREEK / e-mail:greek@nationalradio.bg

0600-0630	Mon-Fri	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224
0600-0700	Sat/Sin	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224
1130-1200	-daily-	Balkans	9500	P250/248	
1730-1800	-daily-	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224, 747
2100-2200	-daily-	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224, 747

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RUSSIAN / e-mail:russian@nationalradio.bg

0000-0100	-daily-	Central Asia	7500	P250/045	
0400-0500	-daily-	East Europe	7500	S100/030,	9500 S100/030
			1224		
0600-0630	-daily-	East Europe	7500	S100/030,	9500 S100/030
1130-1200	-daily-	East Europe	11700	S100/030,	15200 S100/030
1500-1600	-daily-	East Europe	7500	S100/030,	9900 S100/030

			1224		
1500-1600	-daily-	Central Asia	9400	P250/045	
1700-1730	-daily-	East Europe	7500	S100/030,	9900 S100/030
1900-2000	-daily-	East Europe	7500	S100/030,	9900 S100/030

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SERBIAN / e-mail:serbian@nationalradio.bg

0700-0730	Mon-Fri	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224
0800-0900	Sat/Sun	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224
1230-1300	-daily-	Balkans	9500	P250/248	
1800-1830	-daily-	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224, 747
2200-2300	-daily-	Balkans	5900	P250/248,	1224, 747

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SPANISH / e-mail:spanish@nationalradio.bg

0000-0100	-daily-	South America	5900	P250/258,	11600 P250/245
0200-0300	-daily-	South America	5900	P250/258,	11600 P250/245
0200-0300	-daily-	Central America	7500	P250/295	
0700-0730	-daily-	South Europe	15700	P250/260,	17500 P250/292
1200-1230	-daily-	South Europe	15600	P250/260,	17500 P250/292
1730-1800	-daily-	South Europe	9700	P250/260,	11700 P250/270
2200-2300	-daily-	South Europe	6000	P250/258,	7300 P250/245

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TURKISH / e-mail:turkish@nationalradio.bg

0600-0630	-daily-	Middle East	6000	P250/115,	7400 P250/140
1100-1130	-daily-	Middle East	7400	P250/140,	9400 P250/115
1830-1900	-daily-	Middle East	7400	P250/140,	1224, 747

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DX-MIX program in Bulgarian will be on air:

1445-1500	Sunday	on	15700, 12000,	1224
2045-2100	Sunday	on	7400,	6000

DX-MIX program in Russian will be on air:

1545-1600	Saturday	on	9900, 9400, 7500,	1224
1945-2000	Saturday	on	9900,	7500
0045-0100	Sunday	on	7500	
0445-0500	Sunday	on	9500, 7500,	1224

Radio Varna with programm "Hello Sea"/"Zdravei more" in Bulgarian will be on air 2200-2400 Sun and 0000-0400 Mon on 9800 Varna 100 kW / non-dir 73 from (Ivo and Angel! Observer, Bulgaria, Oct 22 via DXLD)

So much for the earlier item from EDXP that the 15m band would be used, 18900 and 19000 --- no doubt a tentative/contingency registration for possible later use. We continue bemused by this station's exclusive use of 'even' frequencies all ending in 00. Is this just to be different/distinctive? Inability of transmitters to tune in smaller steps? To save time in announcements? It would seem to be a great limit on flexibility if interference is to be avoided ñ no shifting 5 or 10 kHz here; it's got to be at least 100 kHz or a

multiple of that. Note first English broadcast at 0000 must have a typo, ending at 0100 instead of 0000? But can't be sure since most of the Eu broadcasts have been collapsed to 30 minutes (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. RCI Sackville is testing DRM at 1500-1900 UT (after DST, 1600-2000), since before Oct 18, thru Nov 15, on 9590. I had a chance to listen to this on a digital receiver at RCI Montr  al (Bill Westenhaver, QC, CKUT International Radio Report Oct 20 via gh, DXLD)

Checking Oct 21, there it came a couple minutes before 1500; not particularly strong here, and fortunately no problem for R. Australia analog on 9580; it did spread almost to 9600 on the other side. Wonder what antenna this be on? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Hopefully, Sounds Like Canada just hasn't found its footing yet because IMHO so far it's nothing special --- certainly not worth all the hype raised about it by CBC six months ago. The only difference I notice about the three hours is that they now have two different hosts. That's it! (John Figliozzi, NY, swprograms via DXLD)

I've yet to hear it. Every time I try multiple CBC webcasts from different timezones, servers are maxed out! (gh, DXLD)

** CANADA. I've been finding shortwave more appealing each day, especially as the new fall programming starts on CBC Radio; that given, there's also more to rant about. As a long-time listener (and I won't be 40 for another few years!), I am not impressed with Mother Corporation's new round of changes in terms of programming, especially with its alleged new emphasis on appealing to the 35 and under demographic (to which I belong). The CBC - who I used to work for, both in freelance and as a relief writer/broadcaster - is changing programming to sound ``more hip`` and ``more cool``.

Take programmes, for example, like Definitely Not The Opera, CBC Radio's flagship audio magazine of pop culture. Once a sharp and funny programme under host Nora Young, who ``requested reassignment,`` the new programme is hosted by a former MuchMusic veejay who seems to be bringing her former employer's approach to the show, including lame pieces on Winnipeg sex shows and knocking on people's doors trading ``stuff``. Other programmes (Out Front and Go) also come to mind ñ the net effect reminds me of old people trying to dress like teenagers for the sake of street cred. Russell Smith in his Globe and Mail column ``Virtual Culture`` points out that the 18-35 set is already well served by private broadcasters, and that CBC Radio is something you grow into, like Scotch, jazz and dark chocolate.

What does this have to do with shortwave radio? Well, many of us

listen to Radio Canada International, and RCI picks up much of its programming from CBC Radio. A good number of my DXer friends say they like SW because it's an alternative to commercial radio, including RCI. What's going to happen to RCI as its parent, CBC, sacrifices content in search of an audience that probably won't tune in anyway? Oh well, there's always the numbers stations; Mossad's been very active lately (Sue Hickey, NL, Oct CIDX Messenger via DXLD)

**** CANADA. BACK TO THE NEWSROOM**

KEN FINKLEMAN'S SEQUEL GETS A CELEBRITY LAUNCH IN NEW YORK

[by] Martin Knelman

NEW YORK --- IT WAS NOT Ken Finkleman but another CBC satiric auteur, Don McKellar, who created a show called Twitch City. But if you were making a film about Finkleman's adventures at the Museum of Television & Radio, Twitch City would be the perfect title.

Finkleman has the distinction of being one of the few Canadians who ever tasted Hollywood success and decided it wasn't worth having. So maybe it shouldn't come as a surprise that being thrust into the spotlight two nights in a row in New York last week made Finkleman so jumpy he developed a compulsion to behave like one of his own ludicrously befuddled characters...

<http://www.thestar.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?>

GXHC_gx_session_id_=0c6399a3ae6210e3&pagename=thestar/Layout/

Article_PrintFriendly&c=Article&cid=1026146622267

(via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

**** CANARY ISLANDS.** So klaert sich alles auf. Nachdem mir im Fruehjahr eine europ. Monitoringstation die Richtung 224 Grad bestaetigte, und ich in den Urlauben auf G.C. und Teneriffa viele Fischerboote aus Korea, China, Taiwan, JPN dort im Hafen liegen sah, hatte ich schon diese Ahnung mit der [geistigen] Versorgung der Fischer ausgedrueckt. Die Boote fahren von dort als Heimatstation bis in den Sued-Atlantik.

Vor allem im 45 mb zugange, dort in der Naehe senden auch die Fischerboote aus Spanien, Italien und Griechen im Mittelmeer, den Funkverkehr hoert man im Urlaub hinter den Alpen sehr stark (wb df5sx Oct 16 ñ Wolfgang B,schel, BC-DX Oct 21 via DXLD)

PROFESSIONAL direction finding sources in Europe told me a lobe and [back lobe] direction of 224 [and 044] degrees, that's fit the path line of Canary Islands... (wb, BC-DX Jun 3, 2002 via BC-DX Oct 21 via DXLD)

**** CANTON ISLAND.** Over the past 18 months, we've gradually added more information about Canton Island, but we never expected to get this

message in late August from Edwin E. Calhoun, Arlington TX who wrote:
I was a USCG Radio Operator at a LORAN station on Canton Island
from 3 December 1945 to June 1946. Our official naval callsign was
NSN. I operated a 5 watt radio station with the callsign WXLF and
played music and news at night while on duty. You could hear the
station throughout the small compound of six Quonset huts in about a
1000 square foot area. Thanks to Ed, you can now read the full WXLF
story at <http://www.radiodx.com> and fill in some of the gaps about
this early AFRS station on Canton Island. By the way, Ed just happened
to keep an old photo of the WXLF studio hut, which we're proud to
share here in Talkback (Oct NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** CROATIA. 6165, 0520-, Croatian Radio, Sep 25. Home Service first
program with phone feed talk in Croatian followed by a jingle ID and
weather. Good reception. Parallels noted were 7365 (fair-good) and
9830 (best of the three). (Volodya Salmaniw, Brody, Ukraine, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** EASTER ISLAND. Hi there, my name is Camila and I'm fairly new to
the internet. I would like to listen to the local radio stations from
Easter Island via the internet if it's at all possible. So far all I
have been able to learn is that the island has two radio stations both
operated by local volunteers but I can't seem to find a way to listen
to them. If you could help me with my tiny problem, I would be very
greatfull. Thank you for your time, You can contact me at:
aguilarfanny@hotmail.com (Camila Rocha, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. Esta noche (UT domingo 20 de octubre) antes de terminar la
emisi n en espa ol (0045-0200) Radio El Cairo anunci  un cambio de
frecuencias a partir del 26 de octubre. La locutora Ver nica Banderas
dijo: "A partir del 26 de octubre, van a estar en 25 metros frecuencia
11790 kHz y tambi n 25 metros frecuencia 11680 kHz; esto es un
esfuerzo para que ya no escuchen interferencias. Pero lo que s  va a
continuar igual son las transmisiones v a sat lite a trav s del
NileSat a 7 oeste, frecuencia de 11766 GHz con polaridad horizontal,
tiempo 7500 en el programa n mero 7..." (Rub n Guillermo Margenet,
Argentina, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA/ETHIOPIA [nons]. ABU DHABI. 15215. United Nations Radio.
0506. A weak and difficult log with one hour broadcast (0430-0530)
to Eritrea. Final 15 minutes is in English and gives postal address in
Addis Ababa and Asmara. Tuesdays only. Regards from (New Zealand, Ian
Cattermole, Oct 21, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** FIJI. Enquiries reveal that while there are no immediate plans for
SW broadcasts there is a lobby pushing for such broadcasts to cater
for the large number of expats living in mainly Australia, NZ and
Canada and remains a possibility (Editor, Oct NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** FINLAND. Referring to a mention on your website, the walkout last week on Wed was not specifically related to the cutbacks on Radio Finland. Actually, the talks concerning jobs at Radio Finland have been completed. The new series of talks concerns positions within domestic broadcasting. /// This Saturday, Oct 26, at 8.30 am Eastern Daylight will be the last English broadcast to North America on SW from YLE. The content will be partially the same as in the oldest broadcast in our archives, aired 1.1.1939. This week we have been airing clips of old broadcasts and will continue doing so during the remaining days. // Reactions to the closing have mainly come from Germany, though there has been a fair amount from other countries - particularly from Canada, presumably on account of the availability there via CBC. / With best regards (Juhani Niinist[^], YLE, Oct 22, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That's 1230-1300 UT to NAm on 15400, 17670. Must listen every day through Oct 26! On Oct 22, 15400 was better. Included examples of early drama; interview with Donald Field, originally a listener in Britain who heard the 15 kW well; until the late 60s, most of the English programming was produced by the Finnish DX Club. Field soon moved to Finland, went to work for station, and has lived there ever since. Discussed the continuing viability of SW (other than for YLE!), but rudely cut off in mid-word at 1258; by the time I punched up 17670 it too was gone. You'd think by now they could have co[^]rdinated the length of programming with the length of transmissions. Two minutes are evidently required for retuning antenna and transmitter for the next emission. I wouldn't be surprised if at the studios no one monitors the frequencies off the air, as is often the case with SW stations, so they haven't a clue what is actually being heard --- or not (gh)

** GEORGIA. I live two hours by car from Tel Aviv. At 1030 UT on 11910, I do not hear R. Georgia or anyone else (David Crystal, 19125 Israel, date unknown, aerogramme received Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tel Aviv being one of the specific targets of R. Georgia; there was some question whether the sked was an hour off due to DST confusion (gh, DXLD)

** GUINEA. RADIO E-MAIL IN WEST AFRICA: THE COMPLETE VERSION
REMOTE NETWORKING WITH HIGH-FREQUENCY (HF) RADIO AND DAN BERNSTEIN'S QMAIL. (Date: 2002-10-14 00:00:00) Topic: Networking URL:
<http://www.linuxjournal.com/article.php?sid=6299>
You can read interesting articles at Linux Journal - The Premier Magazine of the Linux Community <http://www.linuxjournal.com> Thank you for your support of Linux Journal, Staff (via Joe Bernard, OR, DXLD)

** GUINEA. 7125, RTV Guinée. "Thanks for writing" non-QSL e-mail response with information about their new satellite service. Received 7 days after my email report to issaconde@yahoo.fr. Will try again and see if he will send a more explicit verification response. Text of the message follows. It can be translated by any of the Internet translation services e.g. <http://babelfish.altavista.com/translate.dyn> (Evans, TN, October 21, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

Merci pour le courrier en l'endroit de notre station la R T G Émettant de Conakry. J'ai le grand plaisir de vous faire part de notre montée sur satellite. Voici les paramètres d'exploitation de notre réseau:
Satellite : Intelsat 605 Position orbitale : 332,5 degrés EST
Transpondeur : 23/23 Fréquence de réception en bande C : 3.936,50 MHz.
en bande L : 1.213,50 MHz. Taux de symbole : 4,55 M/s Une antenne parabolique de 3,7m de diamètre. Une fois encore merci de nous tenir informer de la qualité de réception si possible. Sincèrement à vous, à votre famille ainsi qu'à vos collaborateurs (via Evans, Cumbre via DXLD)

** HONG KONG. RTV Hong Kong was heard with fairly good signals at our location in Fredriksfors, Målsåsingland, Sweden (some 350 km north of Stockholm) when opening at 2133 on Sat. Oct. 19, but was drowned by radiotelephone stations after a few minutes. Clear ID and a short instrumental tune played before the weather report. Before and after the broadcast, the transmitter was on the air sending out a tone (Ronny Forslund & Jan Edh, Delsbo Radioklubb
<http://hem.passagen.se/drak/index2.htm> Oct 20, hard-core-dx via DXLD)

** INDIA. Vidare har AIR/Jeyppore 5040 svarat med brev på EE direkt från stationen efter 1 Års väntan. V/s var A.Chanti Babu. assistant station engineer som uppger att man har e-mailadressen: airjeyp@sancharnet.in. Jag får tydligen återgå från LA till asiater (Börge Eriksson, SW Bulletin Oct 20 via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. RRI's External Service, Voice of Indonesia, has recently made some frequency changes, and all of its transmissions now appear to be on the single shortwave frequency 9525 kHz at 0030-0400, 0800-1300 and 1730-2100 in various languages, and also in the Jakarta area on FM 89.0 MHz. Frequency usage has been erratic in the past, so it might not be surprising if alternates 11785 or 15150 kHz are occasionally used as well as or instead of 9525 kHz. The only other SW transmission heard out of Jakarta at the moment is the relay of domestic service RRI Pro-3 on 15125 kHz. Regards (from Surabaya, Alan Davies, Oct 20, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL. ONEWORLD RADIO - SERVICING A GROWING RADIO FOR DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

Throughout September 2002, 35 new members (from Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Congo (DRC), France, India, Ireland, Kenya Nepal, New Zealand, Philippines, South Africa, UK, and the US) joined OneWorld Radio taking the total community to over 500. This is undoubted proof that a sizable community exists of development focused broadcasters and NGOs who are enthusiastic about networking online and sharing audio/resources. You can find out more about how we are meeting this need in our update for iConnect Online
http://www.icconnect-online.org/base/ic_show_news?sc=107&id=1735
(Jackie Davies, GKD list, Oct 18, via George Lessard, CAJ list via Ricky Leong, DXLD)

** IRAN. Re new outlet on 1161: may be related to story in DXLD 1-168 of a 1000 kW transmitter being installed near Qazvin (BC-DX via DXLD)

** IRAN. Depois de enviar o primeiro relatório de recepção para a Voz do Irã, o ouvinte é convidado para participar do Clube DX da emissora. Para receber o segundo QSL, deve mandar 10 relatórios. Para obter o terceiro, 20 informes. A quarta verificação vem depois do envio de 35 relatórios. O QSL de número 5 é conseguido após a elaboração de 50 informes. Em seguida, 75 relatórios de recepção dão o direito ao sexto QSL. O sétimo QSL vem depois da remessa de 105 relatórios. Mais adiante, 140 informes valem o oitavo QSL. Já o nono, é obtido após o envio de 170 relatórios. Por fim, o décimo QSL é obtido depois do envio de 200 reportes de recepção. O ouvinte deve numerar todos os informes. Após obter o QSL de número 10, o ouvinte recebe um valioso objeto do artesanato iraniano. Quem prosseguir enviando relatórios, recebe diplomas da emissora. Quem completar 250 relatórios, recebe o diploma de terceiro grau. Quem mandar 300 informes, ganha o diploma de segundo grau. Por último, a quota de 400 relatórios dá o direito ao diploma de primeiro grau. Quem ultrapassar todos os patamares, será incluído na lista de membros ativos do Clube DX da Voz da República Islâmica do Irã, e será presenteado com um valioso souvenir. Você tem duas opções de endereço eletrônico para entrar em contato com a Redação Espanhola da Voz do Irã. Tome nota: spanisradio@i... e spanish@i... [truncateds] (Célio Romais, @atividade DX Oct 20 via DXLD)

** IRAQ. IRAQ PREPARES EMERGENCY BROADCAST FACILITIES

Faced with the prospect of their broadcast installations being targeted if the US launches air strikes on Iraq, the Iraqi authorities are determined to be better prepared than they were during the Gulf War. Residents of the northern city of Arbil report seeing at least five trucks loaded with broadcasting equipment, and similar stories have been emerging from other parts of Iraq. It seems to be part of an elaborate plan to maintain broadcasts from mobile installations in the event of attacks. Iraq Press, quoting "insiders", says that Saddam

Hussein has already recorded two speeches to be broadcast once the attack starts. It's likely that the mobile installations would be moved around constantly to make it more difficult to locate them (© Radio Netherlands Media Network 21 October 2002 via DXLD)

** IRAQ [and non]. [HCDX] IRAQ-US WAR MONITORING

Dear DX friends, I'm asking for DXers how are interested in monitoring the Iraqi and the War related stations. We will form a work group.

*We will monitor all the stations related to the war:

- Radio Iraq International.
- Radio Kuwait.
- VOIRI Tehran (Radio Iran).
- Kol Israel.
- BSKSA RIYADH (Arabia Saoudia).
- VOA.

*All the Iraqi stations should be monitored (Official, Clandestine, MW, SW, LW..).

*We will make full reception reports and if possible audio records.

*All the information received should be sent to all the group members.

*This work is only for enjoyment.

*After the war, we will make a full illustrated document graved on CD, or published in a web site.

*If you would like to participate, please send an e-mail to:

achraftn@yahoo.com containing these information:

Name:

City, Country:

Age:

Equipment:

Career:

*Any comments or suggestions are welcomed. Please, reply me as soon as possible. Thank you so much. 73's from Tunisia (Achraf Chaabane, Sfax, Tunisia, Oct 21, hard-core-dx via DXLD)

** ITALY. 9670, 0424-0425, Rai International, Sep 27. Sign off announcements in Ukrainian with excellent reception. Parallels 11800 good, and 7235 very good. Carrier off immediately (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY [non?]. 13839.96, 0538-, IRRS, Sep 27. Good reception but with obvious transmitter problems, and cut-outs. English program about West Nile Virus, and reproductive cloning. Suddenly off in mid sentence, followed by canned ID (as usual), with the Milano address.

This was followed by an American evangelical program from Philadelphia (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JORDAN. WRTH 2002 on page 256 says R. Jordan broadcasts Arabic 24h on 207 kHz with 600 kW. If this were true, I would hear it like a ton of bricks. I don't. My equipment: AOR AR 7030 receiver with simple outdoor antenna; and other receivers. My location: as far north as Haifa and Nazareth, 20 km west of the border with Jordan. I receive both Jordanian TV channels with a primitive antenna (David Crystal, 19125 Israel, date unknown, aerogramme received Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. RKI announced that this AM's MULTIWAVE FEEDBACK show is be the last one. They are replacing it with a similar program with 2 hosts instead of one and an expanded format. It has a strange name which escapes me now... something like "Worldwide Friendship". (Bill Brady, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Korea International listeners contact shows ``From Us To You`` and ``Multiwave Feedback`` will merged into one show under the name of ``Worldwide Friendship``. This new show will air every Saturday. Regards (Md. Azizul Alam Al-Amin, Official Monitor of RKI, Rajshahi, Bangladesh, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From 26th October onwards R Korea International listeners mailbag programme "From Us to You" will be renamed as "World Wide Friendship" with a total 50 minutes slot. First half only will be used for listeners letters (Swopan Chakroborty, Kolkata, India, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hola amigos: Aquí una noticia fresca para difundir. Saludos cordiales.

República de Corea: (todas las horas: UTC)
Además de los cambios de programación ya anunciados por el Servicio Español de Radio Corea Internacional, a partir del 27 de octubre y durante un mes de prueba se añadirá a la vigente frecuencia de 11715 Khz vía Sackville-Canada otra frecuencia desde el mismo punto de retransmisión con el fin de establecer cuál es la de mejor recepción en el sur del continente americano. Por lo tanto, entre el 27 de octubre y el 26 de noviembre funcionará junto con 11715 Khz una nueva frecuencia, la de 9760 kHz. Estas dos frecuencias utilizarán el horario de 1000 a 1100.

Las otras frecuencias disponibles hacia Europa son 15575 Khz de 2000 a 2100 y ahora se sumará una nueva en los 15210 kHz de 1000 a 1100. Para Sudamérica seguirán funcionando las frecuencias de 9580 de 1000 a 1100 UT y 11810 en el horario de 0100 a 0200.

Esta informaci n fue anunciada en el programa "Antena de la Amistad" del 20 de octubre siendo la  ltima edici n irradiada un domingo ya que -a partir del 26 de octubre pr ximo- pasar  a emitirse los d as s bados, despu s de las noticias (Rub n Guillermo Margenet, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN [non?]. Re 4025 unID: It was yesterday on 4023.68 and IDed at 1757 in Kurdish: "Era Dengi Gelli Kurdistan" and in Arabic: "Sawt al-Sha'ab al-Kurdistan, Sawt al-Ittihad al-Watani al-Kurdistanii". So it should be Voice of the People of Kurdistan. But could anyone knowing Arabic help me to recognize the frequencies mentioned in the announcement? I made a 200 kB MP3 audio clip of it. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Oct 20, hard-core-dx via DXLD)

** KURDISTAN [non?]. QSL: Radio Komala, kurdisk clandestine-3930. L ngt pers e-mail p  EE. Det gl dde verkligen, f r den har mig veterligt inte svarat f rut. Minst SM-1? Adress: Postfach 800272, 51002 K ln, Tyskland. www.komala.org. 3 d. (Bj rn Fransson, Sweden, SW Bulletin Oct 20 via DXLD)

** LATVIA. Laser Radio returns: see UK [non]

** LEBANON [non]. 11735, Voice of Charity via Vatican Radio verified with a short letter from Father Fadi Tabet who also signed/stamped my prepared card in 39 days for US\$1.00 return postage. Address: Voice of Charity, P. O. Box 850, Juniyah, Lebanon (Rich D'Angelo, PA, DXplorer Oct 19 via BC-DX via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. Hi Glenn, This AM on their MAILBOX program, RNZI announced the changes for B02 as follows:

UTC	Freq.	Target
1650-1750	11980	NE Pacific [UT Sun-Thu only --- gh]
1750-2050	15265 (New)	
2050-0505	17675	May be good for west coast US
0505-0705	15240	
0705-1105	11675	May be good for east coast US
1105-1305	15175	NW Pacific
	6095	Occasional use for sports, typhoons

BTW, the MAILBOX program includes a South Pacific DX report (Bill Brady, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. The sad story of Enid's only local TV station continues: KXOK-LP channel 32/cable 18, went off about a week ago, but from Oct 18 or so until early on Oct 22 there was 'dark snow' on the channel and no audio carrier. It might have passed for DTV, but I couldn't imagine KXOK testing that yet, under its circumstances. Now, first

noted just after local midnight Tuesday, 0500 UT, it has a new inhabitant: Dr. Gene Scott! Yes, the cigar-puffing, send-me-money, insulting, anointed-by-God Bible expert holds forth ad nauseam, and yes, parallel to his several SW outlets, from the same satellite feed, such as WWCR 5935. Still going at 1445 and 2225 rechecks, so this is not merely overnight, but 24 hours. Could be a stopgap/stunt as ownership changes, or a nod to Enid's endless thirst for wacky religionists on the air. Or for my benefit as one of his greatest fans?? By the way, he's really aged since the last chance I had to see him -- white haired, really pallid, except for being heavily freckled(?). Then at 1844 playing a tape of his younger self when beard was partly gray, no freckles -- or made up? What's he talking about? Are you kidding? I unmuted the TV only long enough to confirm \\ to shortwave, and I should have done that by lipreading. Tsk, no closed-captioning (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15355.55v, 0320-, Radio Sultanate of Oman, Sep 27. Good signal on this off channel frequency, with modern English pop music. Big Ben chimes at 0329, with ID in English as the Radio Sultanate of Oman, with a time check for 7:30. Followed by news headlines. Slight drift lower to 15355.53 at 0332. Don't recall them being off frequency before. Glad to hear this station again --- like an old friend to me (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. Re 6105/6105.65 and 7213.6/7213.86 - yes, these are Pakistan frequencies. 6105 is API-2 and carries the Islamabad Programme at 1615-1700. 7215 [nominal] is API-4 [ex-7095] and carries the Current Affairs Programme at 0200-0400 and 1300-1800. These are all current times - since the change back to PST from summer time. I heard c7214 myself around 1450 on the 14th (Noel R. Green, UK, Oct 16, BC-DX Oct 21 via DXLD)

** PARAGUAY. Heard tonight on a R-390A receiver and 20 Meter long sloper antenna. Radio Nacional Paraguay, 9737.5 kHz. 0040-0055, SINPO 43444. Het from Radio Cairo (presumed) on 9740 "Notched" with Q-Multiplier. Male announcer in Spanish alternated by some nice music. I've been listening to this one the past couple evenings for the music content, though the audio sometimes seems somewhat muffled. Last night they gave some station IDs in English along with phone numbers etc. (Trying to woo Norte Americano Listeners?) 73 de (Phil K06BB Atchley, Merced, Central California, 37.18N 120.29W, Oct 29, swl via DXLD)

** PERU. 5486.74, R. Reina de la Selva, OC as early as 0938 21 Oct. Start up at 0957 w/OA campo mx w/a lot of shouting. Finally live M anncr host at 1003, possible ment of Cajamarca. More beautiful campo mx at 1004. 1005 what appeared to be song anmnt, nice ID as "... la voz R. Reina de la Selva ?? numero uno...Amazonas ?? metros la onda corta para ?? Chachapoyas, Peru...". Back to mx at 1006. M again at

1011 w/TC and tlk w/ment of onda corta again and Peru, and then another TC. More lively OA campo mx. 1017 live M w/TCs again, then 2 promos or ads (2nd one had heavy echo effect and ment of onda corta) live M again w/poss. ment of Chachapoyas. 1020 another canned anmnt starting w/Rooster crowing and a M imitating a rooster(!!!), then M again w/another ment of Chachapoyas, Peru, a mx bridge, then continued tlk by M w/2 IDs as "Emisora Reina de la Selva de Oro". Surprised to find this!! Just strong enough to copy, but seemed to pick up a little after 1020. Unfortunately the tape ran out!! I'll bet this would've been very nice at the micro-DXpedition QTH (Dave Valko, PA, Cumbre DX via DXLD) Apologies, am too hurried to spend minutes fixing abbrs (gh)

** PRIDNESTROVYA (MOLDOVA). 549.06, 0415-, Radio Pridnestrovya, Sep 27. Note the off channel frequency. Excellent reception using Vlad Titarev's AOR 7030 and box loop. Into Ukrainian program (which I gather is new) at 0415, then Romanian at 0422:30 until BOH. Have a very good MD recording available (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PUERTO RICO. 6458.5, 0516-, AFN, Sep 25. Fair reception with sports news and usual cochannel QRM (Volodya Salmaniw, Brody, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. 7195, 0530-, Radio Romania International, Sep 25. RRI going through the motions with their Ukrainian service. Terrible muffled audio, cochannel with much clearer VOA in English. Disgraceful for a country adjacent to Ukraine. Compare this to the excellent reception from Radio Budapest with their brief 15 minute programs, and even Polish Radio. Not sure why this should be, as the English services monitored in North America propagate quite well (Volodya Salmaniw, Brody, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. RADIO ''THE VOICE OF RUSSIA'' - RUSSIAN WORLD SERVICE (OVERSEAS BROADCASTING) TIME/FREQUENCY SCHEDULE FOR WINTER PERIOD '2002-2003 (Times = UTC/GMT, Frequencies = kHz)

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To EUROPE:

0200-0400 = 1215

1300-1400 = 1386, 1323, 1215, 1143, 999, 603

1400-1500 = 1386, 1323, 1215, 603

1600-1700 = 612 (on Mo, Tu, Th, Su)

1800-1900 = 7360, 6145

2000-2100 = 7360, 7310, 7170, 6190, 6145, 6045*, 5895**, 1215, 1143, 936, 612, 603

NOTES 603 and 1323 kHz - for Germany via local transmitters

612 kHz - for Moscow Region

To The BALTIC COUNTRIES

1300-1400 = 1143
2000-2100 = 7170, 6145, 6045*, 5895**, 1143

To The UKRAINE AND MOLDAVIA

1300-1400 = 1170*, 999
2000-2100 = 6045*, 5895**, 936*
2100-2200 = 9480

To The CAUCASIAN AREA

1600-1700 = 12055, 1170 (on Mo, Tu, Th, Su)
2000-2200 = 7445, 1089

To The CENTRAL ASIA

1300-1400 = 17570**, 15460*, 7365, 7315**, 7105*, 6185, 1143 kHz, and
on VHF FM Range (65,574,0 MHz) via local transmitters
1400-1500 = 17570**, 15460*, 1251

To The AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND and PACIFIC AREA

1300-1500 = 9490

To ASIA and FAR EAST

1300-1400 = 17570**, 15510, 15460*, 9450, 7365, 7315**, 7155, 7105*,
6185, 6145, 1143
1400-1500 = 17570**, 15510, 15460, 9450, 9920**, 9875*, 7155,
6205, 5930, 1251

To NEAR and MIDDLE EAST

0200-0300 = 648
1300-1400 = 1143
1400-1500 = 9875**, 7315*
1600-1700 = 12055, 9875**, 1314, 1170 (on Mo, Tu, Th, Su)
2000-2100 = 7445, 6190, 1089
2100-2200 = 7445, 1089

To The WESTERN HEMISPHERE

0200-0300 = 17595, 17565, 15595, 12010, 7440, 7260, 7240, 7125
0300-0400 = 17595, 17565, 15595, 12010, 7440, 7350, 7260, 7240, 7125

To The BYELORUSSIA

0200-0300, 1300-1400, 2000-2100, 2100-2200 = on VHF FM Range
(65,5...74,0 MHz) via local transmitters, and on the 3rd Channel of
Wire /Cable/ Networks.

NOTES: *) - Till March 1st, 2003 ; **) - From March 2nd, 2003.

ADDRESS: Russian World Service, 'The Voice of Russia', Moscow-Radio,
115326 Russia. VOICE: (+7 095) 950-6868, FAX: (+7 095) 950-6116. E-
MAIL: letters@vor.ru ACTUAL INFORMATION, WEB and 'REAL AUDIO':

<http://www.vor.ru/Russian.htm>

73! Pavel Mikhaylov ("Club DX"), Radio "Voice of Russia" Moscow,
Russia (via Michael Bethge, WWDXC, via Alokesh Gupta, Cumbre DX via
DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Re 5930 - frankly, I don't know if this one is from
Monchegorsk or from Murmansk city nowadays. The signal is not what it
used to be, but since they are likely to have a special antenna for
this transmission, I would guess that they have stayed in Monchegorsk.
(Olle Alm, Sweden, BC-DX Oct 15 via DXLD)

Re Murmansk / Monchegorsk. If the former, it maybe(?) would be the
most northerly SW transmitter operating? But probably, as you say, is
the latter. I think there used to be a SW station at Murmansk. 5930
was again audible today - and I assume it was Yakutsk on 7200 peaking
to S5 at 0655 \\ 9720, and Magadan 9530 after 0700 weaker. I could
hear 7320, but much weaker than 7200. I didn't try 7345 after CZH-SLK
went off at 0727.

I don't have much radio news - what I think is Yakutsk 7200 was again
at fair strength this morning c0650 in \\ Rossii. I could also hear
7345 when CZE-SLK went off at 0657, but weaker. 7140 has not appeared.
I'm trying to catch a local program/new/or local language to try to
confirm which station 7200 is. Magadan 7320 was only showing traces of
signal same time while NSB 9595 was also weak with a fluttery-echoing
signal at 0658. There's nothing from them on 9760, and I believe this
only operates at weekends now (Noel R. Green, UK, BC-DX Oct 16/18 via
DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 17302, 0825-, Murmanskoye Radio, Sep 27. Very good
reception of this local program from Murmansk. I was unable to hear
any other SW parallels. Impossible to hear in North America due to the
very high frequency and the time of night (Volodya Salmaniw,
Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also TATARSTAN

** RUSSIA [non?]. UKRAINE? 7415.55, 0427-, Radio Krishnaloka, Sep 27.
An extremely interesting station from a DXer's point of view. Times
were very variable, and not according to the schedule announced. First
heard at Vlad Titarev's DX shack on 27/09 at 0427 (nothing heard
earlier despite frequent checks) using his AOR 7030 and 80 meter
random wire. Hare Krishna heard in Russian with a difficult signal due
to adjacent interference. About a S9 signal. Frequent dead air for 20
to 30 seconds. The music was always better modulated than voice.
Somewhat variable frequency as well. Noted drifting upwards to 7415.57
at 0455. Long monotones by usually a woman. Talk about Walt Emmerson
at 0437. Mostly though, long renditions of Krishna music. Reception
consistently improved during the program as dawn approached locally.

At 0450, a hypnotic guitar vocal, sounding like 'Zing Zan' by a male. No obvious ID. Appears to have left the air by 0459.

Next monitored in Luhansk Ukraine, much closer to the apparent transmitter site in Donetsk (more on this later), on 29/09. This was a village location, with very little QRM. Used just a Sony 1000T with its built in whip. Monitored continuously from 0245. Nothing heard until about 0350 with weak talk in Russian and the same type of Krishna music as before. Faded up to decent levels, then back into the noise, with WBCQ audible in background. Frequency was approx. 7415 (unable to more accurately measure on this receiver). Very nice fade-up at 0413. Mentioned that this topic would be continued on a future show. Nice ID as Radio Krishnaloka at 0414 in the clear (RA file available). Signal became quite good with further Krishna music. Unfortunately suddenly cut-off at 0422 (0722 local). Since then, nothing further heard. I spent the next week almost in Donetsk, the supposed site of the transmitter, but failed to hear anything at all. Definitely a highlight of my trip! (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh and Luhansk, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAMOA AMERICAN. WDJJ 580 Pago Pago is shortly changing call to KJAL according to Vickie Haleck, Station Manager. She adds they've had DX reports from Japan and Italy. (Personally, I doubt the latter very much and have told her so). (David Ricquish Ricquish, Oct NZ DX Times via DXLD) Bellabarba! Must maintain a J in the call; slogan would now be ``King Jesus...` what? (gh, DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. WEWN is listed currently 24 hours via 15745 and 1000-1600 and 1800-2200 in B-02, so that's not much better. Maybe Victor could "persuade" SLBC to move up or down to improve things - although I guess WEWN is not much of a problem in S Asia? (Noel R. Green, UK, Oct 16, BC-DX via DXLD)

Dear Glenn Hauser, About comments on the latest frequency changes of SLBC, Sri Lanka please note that in their target area where I am, their old frequencies of 7190 and 15425 were having terrible interference at night. Now their new frequencies of 7440 and 15745 are interference free here and so reception is fine. Anyway it would be nice if they select a good frequency suitable for DX listeners also. Sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, India, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. MADAGASCAR. 12060. Radio Voice Of Hope. 0430. Very good in English and parallel 15320 also very good. Broadcasts Sunday, Monday, Tuesdays only. Regards from (New Zealand, Ian Cattermole, Oct 21, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** SYRIA [non]. Re: <http://www.arabicsyradio.org> Hi Glenn, A WHOIS search provided the following information:

Registrant: Bashir Kyle, POB 7897, Oslo, Oslo 01673 NO
Domain Name: ARABICSYRADIO.ORG
Administrative Contact: Kyle, Bashir bkyle@post.com
POB7897, Oslo, Oslo 01673, NO 47 22 16

Technical Contact:
Name Services, Site Protect administrator@siteprotect.com
1 N. State Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60076, US
312 236 2132 Fax: 312 236 1958

Registration Service Provider:
Alxhost, dns@alxhost.com 8-7925040 <http://www.alxhost.com/>

Registrar of Record: TUCOWS, INC. Record last updated on 04-Sep-2002.
Record expires on 22-Aug-2004. Record Created on 22-Aug-2002.

Domain servers in listed order:
NS1.ALXHOST.COM 66.96.220.137 NS2.ALXHOST.COM 66.96.220.138
(via Andy Sennitt, Oct 20, DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN. 7245, 1649-, Radio Tajikistan World Service, Sep 26.
English news noted until 1652, and then a historical tale. S9 + 20
signal but weak modulation with adjacent splatter, so overall only
fair reception. IDed as the world service (a bit of a stretch I'd
say!) at 1659:30. IS at the TOH, and into presumed Arabic. It's been a
few years since I've heard this one (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh,
Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TATARSTAN. RUSSIA 9690, 0600-, Radio Tatarstan, Sep 27. Very strong
signal from Samara, S9 + 20, with sign-on in Tatar. Well over barely
audible DW. Has become a much more difficult target in WCNA this past
year or two (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** TIBET. 7385, 1615-, Holy Tibet, Sep 26. Excellent reception at 1615
tune-in. Went into English at 1630:30, with the following: 'Hello dear
listeners. Welcome to our English program, Holy Tibet'. Parallels
noted were: 6130 (fair with cochannel), 4905 (fair to good), 5240
(good), 6110 (fair), and 6150 (poor) [had been 6130 --- gh]. 9490 was
not heard. When rechecked at 1642, they were reading listeners letters
(having had received 30 letters), and this continued until sign-off at
1648:42 with an ID as the 'China Tibet Broadcasting Company'. I have a
very high quality MD recording of this program. Let me know if anyone
wants to hear this one, and I'll send it out (Volodya Salmaniw,
Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. VOT did not move to 9650 at 0300-0350. They stayed on 11655

(David Crystal, 19125 Israel, date unknown, aerogramme received Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKMENISTAN. 4930, 1930-, Turkmen Radio, Sep 26. No sign of the English program at 1940. Just Turkmen and Russian music and talk. All at good levels (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA. RADIO UGANDA REDUCES NEWS OUTPUT

State-owned Radio Uganda has reduced its schedule of news bulletins. The station's Red Channel (the main outlet for English programming) is now only airing three regular major English-language bulletins a day - at 0400, 1000 and 1700 gmt (7 a.m., 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. local times). The major bulletins previously carried at 0700, 1400 (1300 on Saturdays) and 1900 gmt have been dropped or replaced by news summaries. The above mentioned Red Channel bulletin at 0400 gmt (but not those at 1000 or 1700 gmt) is relayed by Radio Uganda's other national network, the Blue Channel. Source: BBC Monitoring research in English Oct 02 (BBCM Oct 21 via DXLD)

** UKRAINE [and non]. Hello everyone! Below is a selection of loggings from my recent trip to Ukraine. I spent a very enjoyable week travelling with eminent DXer Vlad Titarev, and his lovely wife Ira. The highlight was a great DX session the evening of 26/09 to lunch time on the 27th at his urban dacha/office/DX shack. I was able to briefly use his Ukrainian made communications receivers (which I can vouch are every bit as good as anything I have used in the west). Mostly, though, I used his AOR 7030 receiver. A generous and gracious man, with quite a maverick streak, we spent many an hour talking about the real problems, and threats encountered by DXers in the former Soviet block. Only the hardiest of souls, of which Vlad is one, would have been able to stand up to the pressures of the state. Unlike Rumen Pankov, [Bulgaria], who was jailed for 10 years for his hobby, Vlad luckily escaped such a fate. Here are my logs from the trip. My apologies for the delay, but with 10 time zones crossed, and an exceptionally busy workload upon my return, I haven't been able to get to them until now (Volodya Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UKRAINE. 765, 0631-, Radio Mayak, Sep 27. Odessa's Radio Mayak (no relation to Russia's Mayak) with Russian news after an American oldie. Jingle ID at 0634 'Radio Mayak, z dobrom kazhnoye dom'. They went into Radio Liberty's Ukrainian service without ID at 0700. Good reception (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UKRAINE. 9950, 2111-, Radio Ukraine International, Sep 26. Fair reception of RUI's German service on one of few remaining

transmitters. Parallel to 25 kW Chernivtsi transmitter on MW 657 with good signal strength. Only other RUI frequency heard during my trip was 7410 (in local early mornings). (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Krishnaloka: see RUSSIA [non?]

** U K. BBC Press Office issues extensive program(me) previews for domestic radio (mostly R2/R3/R4), in weekly PDF files.
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/pressoffice/proginfo/radio/>
(Kevin Kelly, Arlington, Massachusetts, USA, PublicRadioFan.com, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [non]. Laser Radio will be On-air again this coming Sunday October 27 with a 12-hour broadcast at 0900 to 2100 UT.
HF Frequency : 5935 kHz shortwave with 100 kW
MF Frequency : 576 kHz with 50 kW
All transmissions will originate from Ulbroka, Republic of Latvia.
<http://laserradio.net> (Andrew Yeates, Yahoo Radio Anoraks UK group via Mike Barraclough, Letchworth, UK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UNITED NATIONS [non]. ASCENSION IS. 17570, 1729:45-, UN Radio. Sep 26 Excellent reception at sign-on with UN Today program in English (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. L. CEE RECEIVES RADIO SAWA SCREEN SAVER

Our big news this month is that our own ACE member L. Cee reports that he has received a reply to his e-mailed report to Radio Sawa. Although he did not receive a QSL as such, he did receive a Radio Sawa screen saver for his computer. I'll let him describe this new acquisition in his own words:

``The screen saver is a ``Radio Sawa`` bounce. The letters S A W A are in orange, green, red, and blue. There are several musical notes over the letters. About 6 of these S A W A's bounce around the screen and exit off the screen as new ones appear.

I was hoping for something a little cooler....but what can you expect from the Government?? After all it was most likely paid for with our tax dollars.``

He did not send in the e-mail address that he used to acquire this screen saver, but the official Radio Sawa web site, found at <http://www.ibb.gov/radiosawa/> on the internet gives an e-mail address of comments@radiosawa.com for contact purposes. This site also provides the shortwave frequency schedule for the station, which is

0400-0600 on 5965

0400-0600 on 7255

0400-0600 on 9680
0400-0600 on 11670
0400-0600 on 15380

0730-0830 on 9660
0730-0830 on 9715
0730-0830 on 9765
0730-0830 on 11820
0730-0830 on 11910
0730-0830 on 11995
0730-0830 on 15205
0730-0830 on 15355

1700-1800 on 7105
1700-2100 on 6040

1800-2100 on 7105
1800-2100 on 9505
1800-2100 on 11825
1800-2100 on 15545
1800-2100 on 6160
1800-2100 on 9620
1800-2100 on 11895

The Radio Sawa web site also provides a full medium wave and satellite service schedule, in case you have plans to be in the Middle East sometime soon, or in case you have satellite receiving equipment. The web site also provides a live internet feed of the Radio Sawa programming, both in RealAudio or in Windows Media Player format. So, even if propagation is terrible and your receiver is at the repair shop, you should be easily able to listen to this one if you want to.

The station is quasi-clandestine in its nature. It is not exactly a secret that this station is a new Arabic service of the Voice of America, but it is not announced as such on the air. The schedule that we reprinted here off their web site comes from a variety of transmitter sites, some of which we decoded in the August issue of The ACE.

Given the announced intentions of the United States to launch a military attack against Iraq, despite the fact that Iraq has not attacked the USA or anybody else for that matter during the last couple of years via military means, Radio Sawa becomes an important quasi-clandestine that we should pay attention to.

In the past, aggressive military actions by countries such as Germany, Japan, and North Korea have always been accompanied by clandestine radio voices of the aggressor nation. Now that the United States has

announced its intentions to join this undistinguished list of historically dangerous aggressors, it would be no surprise at all if the extent of clandestine radio broadcasting by the United States will significantly increase during the short run future.

While I am on the subject of the ongoing argument in the United States about whether the USA should start attacking any country that it feels like attacking, as long as it is an election year and as long as the country is in a sharp recession, it has been a significant surprise to me to find that there is a significant degree of opposition to USA aggressive militarism in an otherwise middle-of-the-road place like Cleveland, Ohio. For instance, Mark Dodish, the editor of Crain's Cleveland Business, the corporate business newspaper in Cleveland and precisely the opposite of the old Pravda, devoted his entire column in the November 14 edition of his newspaper to an assertion that it would be a dangerous and stupid thing for the United States to attack Iraq under the current circumstances. Much of the opposition to President George W. Bush's policies in this matter has been coming from Republicans and business interests. The situation might be different by the time that this issue of The ACE arrives in your mailbox, but the whole subject is something that should cause everybody in the USA and elsewhere to think very hard about the policy, military, and economic implications of the situation (George Zeller, OH, Clandestine Profile for Nov The ACE via DXLD)

AN ARABIC PERSPECTIVE ON RADIO SAWA

Staying on the subject of Arabic language clandestines, even a cursory check of the internet will reveal that Radio Sawa is creating some controversy. Thus, its programming appears not to be the same dry and vanilla stuff that the Voice of America has been using up mega-kilowatts for years to bounce off the ionosphere. One interesting exchange about the program content on Radio Sawa is currently up on ``The Electric Intifada`` web site. This web site, whose slogan is that freedom of the press is guaranteed only to those who own one, describes itself as, ``EI is independent of any political, factional, ethnic, or religious affiliation, and bases its view of the conflict on the foundations of universal human rights and international law. The Electronic Intifada condemns all attacks on civilians, regardless of the perpetrators, yet encourages people to examine the structural roots and dynamics of violence in the conflict and the imbalance of power that perpetuates it. The four founders of the project are Ali Abunimah, Arjan El Fassed, Laurie King-Irani, and Nigel Parry.`` None of these individuals are known in the DX community, so it is interesting to hear them commenting on the Radio Sawa programming.

Like the new Free Radio Network web site, the MECCS/EI Project maintains a means to donate to their web site via credit card right

from the web site at

<http://electronicintifada.net/features/articles/020820ali.shtml> or via a street address at 1507 E. 53rd Street, #500, Chicago, IL 60615, USA

Their web site commentary on Radio Sawa is by Ali Abunimah, identified on the web site as ``Vice-president of the Arab-American Action Network and a well-known media analyst, Abunimah regularly writes public letters to the media, coordinates campaigns, and appears on a variety of national and international news programs as a commentator on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He is one of the founders of The Electronic Intifada. Ali Abunimah contributed to ``The New Intifada: Resisting Israel's Apartheid`` (Verso Books, 2001).`` Ali Abunimah's commentary on Radio Sawa is interesting enough that I am going to reprint it here. The next seven paragraphs are a verbatim quote from the Electronic Intifada analysis of coverage of the news on Radio Sawa and on the BBC, with the analysis written by Ali Abunimah.

``On August 18, I listened alternately to the BBC and Sawa throughout the day and took notes about how they covered the news. First thing in the morning, the BBC led with news of a report from the Palestinian Ministry of Health documenting a one hundred and twenty five percent increase in child malnutrition in the occupied territories since Israeli began its siege and repression. Sawa led with news that an Israeli ``special unit`` had arrested Hamas members. Saying nothing about the health report, Sawa made only a vague reference to calls by Palestinian officials for the international community to intervene to ``relieve the humanitarian and security situation affecting the Palestinian territories.``

For much of the day Sawa seemed to be concerned with damage control for the U.S. campaign against Iraq, prominently featuring denials by unnamed Israeli officials that Israel was trying to goad the U.S. into attacking Baghdad.

In the evening, the BBC and Sawa both reported on the visit to the region of the UN special envoy for humanitarian affairs, Catherine Pertini. While the BBC quoted Pertini as expressing deep concern about the grave situation, Sawa quoted her only as describing announced Israeli measures to relieve the plight of the besieged population as ``encouraging.`` The BBC highlighted a new report from the World Bank that put the number of Palestinians living in extreme poverty at over fifty percent. Sawa said nothing about that but repeatedly included an upbeat item about a planned meeting between Israel's defense minister and the new Palestinian interior minister.

Sawa did report that three Palestinians had been injured in an Israeli ``operation`` in Khan Yunis, but only the BBC bothered to add that these were civilians, one of them a sixteen year-old girl.

In a late night bulletin, Sawa led with news that Jaweed Ghusein the former director of the Palestine National Fund had gone into exile in London from Gaza, and had told Israeli newspapers that Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat had diverted millions of dollars meant for the Palestinian people into his personal bank accounts. Only the BBC however mentioned that the same newspaper reports claimed that Ghusein had been spirited out of Gaza in a joint operation of Israeli, Jordanian and British intelligence, and that Ghusein had himself been accused since 1991 (before the Palestinian Authority even existed) of embezzling more than six million dollars from PLO funds.

Sawa did include news items that undermine declared U.S. policy, for example that the German Chancellor strongly opposes a U.S. attack on Iraq. Perhaps adding such information, which is in any case well-known to everyone here, helps boost the credibility of the station as an ``objective`` whole, making it a bit easier to sell the largely sanitized version of the news that Sawa offers.

While just about everyone knows that the U.S. government is behind Sawa, there is something very furtive about the whole affair. Unlike the BBC Arabic Service, or Radio Monte Carlo (the Arabic broadcasts of French radio), both of which have been available here on FM for several years, Radio Sawa's news bulletins do not identify the station's sponsor or where it is broadcasting from. Its anchors do not provide their names. This gives it an exceptionally sterile and anonymous quality that is in complete contrast to its competitors.`` (George Zeller, OH, Clandestine Profile for Nov The ACE via DXLD)

** U S A. FALWELL - PROPHET OF HATE Updated on 2002-10-09 09:39:49

Riding on the self-created Islamphobia wave, Fundamentalist preacher Jerry Falwell was given a microphone on prime time CBS program 160 minutes to air pre-recorded racial slurs towards Prophet Muhammad. This program is normally reserved for investigative reporting and high profile interviews. Unfortunately, CBS let it be used as a propaganda tool and to preach hatred against Muslims...

<http://www.paknews.com/editorials.php?id=1&date1=2002-10-09>
(via Fred Waterer, DXLD)

I find it hard to believe CBS was endorsing Falwell's remark -- more likely allowed him to make a fool of himself as usual. You can do that in America (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. This story was found via a link at <http://www.paknews.com> amongst a bunch of stories condemning Jerry Falwell and his moronic remarks about the Prophet Mohammed (Fred Waterer, Ont., Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Behind the Headlines, by Justin Raimondo Antiwar.com July 5, 2002

THE VOA FOLLIES

'VOICE OF AMERICA' LOSES A WRITER ñ AND THE WAR PARTY GAINS A MARTYR

The neocons are up in arms ñ one of their own has been fired from his position as a "journalist" at the Voice of America and may be on his way to becoming the Mumia Abu Jamal of the War Party. The cause of Stephen Schwartz, a writer formerly known as "Comrade Sandalio," has been taken up by William Safire and Ronald Radosh. In a column berating the "accommodationist" US State Department supposedly in control of VOA ñ whose news director is under the illusion that he heads up a real news-gathering organization, instead of a propaganda arm of the US government... <http://www.antiwar.com/justin/j070502.html> (via Waterer, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. A personal note from John Vodenik sent along with a QSL for VOA Morocco for a report direct to him at Delano says he has not taken over (he hopes) all of VOA's QSLing. He verifies reports sent to Delano, but has been helping out during the summer as Washington was short handed on people (Mickey Delmage, AB, Verie Interesting, the QSL Column, Oct CIDX Messenger, via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. Re complaint that IBB is buying French transmitters:

No Embargo, that's business. ... and to Vietnam too, similar 'Jamming' matter. In 1995 IBB replaced the former 300 kW RCA transmitter at Munich Ismaning by Thales-Thomson CSF type Thomcast TMW 2300-S7 (2 x 150 kW units). Similar type of THOMCAST has been installed recently at the new Cape Greco site at Cyprus too, on 981 kHz. However the [European] technicians prefer rather Telefunken, Nautel, or Continental-Harris units, but 'gnash one's teeth' when asked on the Thomcast installations (Wolfgang Bueschel, BC-DX Oct 21 via DXLD)

** U S A. I found info on the new weather radio station this morning at <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/arx/nwrhome.shtml> --- I got the call letters right, WNG-546. There is also info of another new one in Winona, MN, call letters KGG-95, which will be on 162.425. There is no sign of this station yet (Daniel Sampson, Arcadia, WI, Oct 20, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

About this station in particular including schedule:

<http://www.crh.noaa.gov/arx/nwrhome4.html>

(via Dora Jean, DXLD)

** U S A. I got an e-mail from the CE at WHO confirming that they are still operating on the auxiliary antenna. He said that they hope to complete repairs on the main tower "by the end of next week". (Patrick

Griffith, CBT, Westminster, CO, USA, Oct 19, NRC-AM via DXLD) Also have been off the air for brief periods (gh)

** U S A. WOR, 710 kHz, announced that they are digital at the top of the hour (0900 local time) this morning (10/21). A check of 700 and 720 kHz confirmed this, the digital hash is there (Dan Srebnick - NJ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

IN-BAND OFF-CHANNEL (IBOC) PROBLEM RESOLVED AT WOR(AM)

New York's WOR(AM) is transmitting both analog and digital signals once again, and says its IBOC transmission problem has been solved (re CGC #544). The station has changed its slogan to "710 WOR-HD."
<http://www.rwonline.com/dailynews/one.php?id=2119>
(Dennis Gibson, IRCA, Oct 22 via DXLD)

** U S A. DIGITAL RADIO HAILED BY BROADCASTERS
<http://www.msnbc.com/news/822924.asp?0dm=N18LT>
(via mu23, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. TUNING IN TO DIGITAL RADIO
By Evan Hansen Staff Writer, CNET News.com
October 21, 2002, 4:00 AM PT

The future of radio -- one of the last analog holdouts in an increasingly digital world -- is coming into view...
<http://news.com.com/2100-1023-962671.html>
(via Fred Waterer, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. In this article, BBC journalist excoriates U.S. television news, especially Fox, and also comments about BBC World (BBC's international television)...

SIMPSON BERATES 'HYSTERICAL' US NETWORKS
Fiachra Gibbons, arts correspondent, Saturday October 19, The Guardian

John Simpson, the BBC correspondent who "liberated" Kabul, has attacked "gonzo" journalists who are cheerleading the world to war. The veteran world affairs editor, who was smuggled into Afghanistan in an extra large burka and admitted he "got a bit carried away" when he strode into Kabul ahead of Northern Alliance fighters, was withering in his criticism of US news networks. He reserved most of his derision for Rupert Murdoch's Fox News channel...
http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,814967,00.html
(via Kim Elliott, DC, DXLD)

** U S A. GLUED TO THE NEW SNIPER CHANNEL

I'm addicted to this new Sniper Channel. All day, all night, it features breaking rumours and witness fibs about regional murders it claims have "captivated" America. That's the breathless word they use. Roll tape.

Aaron Brown: Hello it's me, your slow-talking news anchor with yet another hour of CNN's continuing sniper coverage, America Under Fire. With me is Wolf Blitzer, who's just wrapped his own special report, Sniper on the Loose...

Wolf: I once bought a trellis at that Home Depot, Aaron.

Aaron: ... and on the phone, Connie Chung. She's preparing tonight's two hour CNN Special, Living in Fear. Are you there, Connie?

Connie: CNN changed our show's title, Aaron. We call it Diabolical Vans of Doom. As you know, a white van may be implicated in these crimes...

Aaron: Tell us about white, Connie. At night, under high-intensity streetlights, could "white" perhaps be more like cream?

Connie: Cream, eggshell, ecru, ivory, any of those hues, Aaron. A light-coloured truck, Chevy Astro, Ford Econoline, any boxy thing with four wheels should arouse suspicion...

Aaron: Stay on the line, Connie! I hear CNN's Breaking News Music and see the Breaking News slide on my monitor. Go!

Connie: We've reached Mrs. Loomis, Aaron. She lives in Virginia, next door to a state trooper. Are you fearful, dear? Is your neighbourhood under lockdown? How do you summon the strength to go out?

Mrs. Loomis: Well I saw the CNN Special, People Too Frightened to Leave The House. I force myself to eat, sleep, go to work and not stay home watching endless hours as anchors show me AK 74s and maps with dots near my house. It's really disquieting.

Aaron: This is Aaron Brown, Mrs. Loomis. Does living next door to a trooper make you feel safer?

Mrs. Loomis: I live next door to a roofer. Not a trooper.

Connie: My mistake, Aaron. There's so much information coming in for my late-night CNN Special, Massive Sinister Sniper Manhunt, inevitably some of it might be garbled. Mrs. Loomis, is it true you now pump gas from inside your car, using a broomstick?

Wolf: Hold on, Connie. We've got Larry King! At the top of the hour, he hosts CNN's Special: To Catch a Killer. Larry?

Larry: I've got a very special sniper panel, Wolf. We call it Assault Weapons: What the Heck Did You Think They'd Do With Them. We have a police profiler who says the culprit may be a man, a California psychic with a new book, a former spy plane pilot, author Dominic Dunne and the always-fabulous Ann-Margret. Later, I'll debrief a truly frightened Regis Philbin...

Aaron: What we're looking at now is a lot of cars parked on an interstate, viewers. See the lights? They're not moving. This is on videotape. It happened, but it is not happening right now. Just to clear that up.

Wolf: Larry, you're in a tiny Washington studio. How scared are you?

Larry: We do what we can to escalate a bad situation. As I said on last night's CNN Special, America Under Curfew - I'm paid not to be frightened. But we don't have a sketch. This sniper's invisible. He could be anywhere.

Aaron: You know what I keep thinking, Larry? That right now, some madman out there may be watching CNN, America's preferred sniper channel. Watching us talk about him, our speculations, the police press conferences, traffic gridlock, citizen fears...

Wolf: He must be terrified. Or buzzed. Or something.

Connie: That's the topic of CNN's Did The Media Shoot Anybody, Aaron. Some argue our breathless, non-stop coverage encourages mayhem. Criminal acts. Vigilantes. Public hysteria. Weapons sales. Bronco chases. Stunt crimes. Copy cats. Cable channel ratings. Bad makeup and hair. O.J.

Aaron: A reminder to CNN viewers that any bang in Iraq, we'll certainly be going there. But in the meantime, what do police mean when they say they're looking for a "white" van, Wolf?

Wolf: White is the absence of colour, Aaron.

Connie: White is cream, light gray, vanilla. On my CNN Special, They Won't Let Us Stop Talking, I interview a biker artist who paints vans. And a graphic artist who puts coloured dots on our alarming sniper maps...

James Earl Jones: All bang. All day. THIS ... is CNN.

18/10/2002 2:25 PM (AOL Canada news via Fred Waterer, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. LITTLE STEVE ANDERSON NEWS

If you are interested in the latest news on the search for Steve Anderson of the now defunct clandestine KSMR, other than the continual parodies of Anderson and his now-defunct clandestine that continue to appear on the pirate bands from United Patriot Militia Bingo, one place to check is the web site for the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. At the URL of <http://www.atf.treas.gov/wanted/pages/18anderson.htm> the bureau has provided the latest copy of their wanted poster for Steve. On the day that I checked the ATF web site, Steve was listed #3 on the list of nine wanted individuals on their web page. Steve is identified as ``Steven Howard Anderson,`` a.k.a. Steve Anderson. Of the other eight persons on the ATF list, one was listed as unidentified, with the following description:

``Subject fired a handgun at another subject near George Hall Elementary School (in Mobile, Alabama). This Suspect was shot in the Buttocks during the incident. Subject is wanted by ATF for discharging a firearm in a school zone.``

All of the wanted individuals on the ATF web site have additional information available in .pdf format for those who want more details. It is not clear if the ATF also thinks that Steve Anderson has a sore rear end, like his unidentified colleague on the ATF most wanted web site profiles. However, the content on Anderson's ATF .pdf file is certainly of interest to those of us in the unlicensed broadcasting DX community, so here it is:

``Anderson is wanted by the Kentucky State Police for Attempted Murder. Anderson is wanted by ATF for violations of Federal explosives laws. Anderson should be considered Armed and Dangerous. Do not try to apprehend Anderson on your own - If you spot Anderson, immediately notify your local law enforcement agency, the Kentucky State Police at (606) 573-3131 or (800) 222-5555 or the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms at (888) 283-8477.``

There are a couple of unflattering photos of Anderson on the ATF's wanted poster, so you might want to take a look at this web site for yourself.

A DIFFERENT STEVE ANDERSON

Some of you may have noticed that Big Bear Publications, In their own words from their ``a small press publishing concern which runs infrequent poetry competitions,`` has published a poem by a guy named

Steve Anderson. Although he announces on their web site that this poem is copyrighted, since ACE is a noncommercial publication, I am going to give both Big Bear Publications and Steve Anderson a little publicity by printing one of his poems here. The subject matter is actually a startling coincidence.

Before getting to the poem, I am going to reprint the legal disclaimer that is associated with the poem, so that all of us are aware of this poem's legal status. ``All poems here at the BigBear Publications Working A Way Through site are Copyright © Steve Anderson, 1999. All rights reserved. While it is my pleasure that you download my poems for your own personal enjoyment, you are expressly forbidden to use my work in any form for profit whether for barter, trade, promotion, or any other commercial endeavor without the prior permission in writing of myself, or BigBear Publications.

The web site is at: <http://www.bigbear.u-net.com/workingpoem25.htm>

The web site copy has a biography of the poet, saying that ``STEVE ANDERSON has been out and proud for more years than he cares to remember. Winner of the coveted school prize for poetry in his last year, he has been writing seriously for publication since 1991. He won the 6th Commonword Poetry Slam with a poem about kd lang's Constant Craving. An appearance on Granada TV frightened the life out of him while, appearing live at a Candlelight Vigil in front of more than 5,000, didn't faze him in the slightest. Steve has been published in a large variety of journals, winners anthologies and established poetry magazines. A non-Catholic, his work has even appeared in The Catholic Times. Steve has become quite a recluse of late so there are no poetry readings or workshops scheduled for the immediate future. This shouldn't suggest that Steve has stopped writing. Far from it. He is currently engaged in writing his next collection. Quite when it will be completed is, so far, in the lap of the gods, but if you would like to be notified when it is ready, please write to Steve at rsvp@bigbear.u-net.com putting ``Next Poetry Publication`` in the subject line. He lives just outside Rochdale where he plays too many computer games writes games reviews for Gamer Grand Central and poetry reviews for New Hope International. Steve has a couple of rooms in a house owned by his landlord, Brian. He shares his strange existence with two cats, Chester and Kitty Kat and a free-range rabbit [loose in the garden] called Babs. Steve is free, single, available and open to offers...but don't breathe a word to His Holiness.``

Obviously this description is of a different Steve Anderson than the guy who is featured on the AFT web site, and I therefore want to make it clear that there appears to be no connection whatsoever between Steve Anderson of Kentucky and Steve Anderson of Rochdale. But, given the striking subject matter of his poem, I am going to reprint it here

anyway, as an extremely odd and interesting coincidence.

MOST WANTED MAN by Steve Anderson

I'm craving for a ploddy
with a body that commands
Come to bed. A private dick
with stick, bomber jacket
and well hung ammo pouches.

I want to lay it on with the law
wearing his stiff peak,
hot pressed serge,
with an easy zip
or button fly.

Not a slobby but a bobby
in a smooth thin shirt
with epaulette tongues,
iron thick thighs
and throbbing night-stick.

Cuff me to your cruiser
you big bruiser cop.
Lay down the law
as I lie on the floor
spread-eagled.

(George Zeller, OH, Clandestine Profile for Nov The ACE via DXLD)

** U S A. Hope the following be correct, as I was half-asleep at the time and rely on fuzzy memories: WJIE, 7490, seems finally to have acquired a new WOR, the current 1152, noted in progress around 0545 UT Sun Oct 20. Strangely enough, it was about a minute apart from the same via RFPI 7445 where it's supposed to start at 0600, so I guess both actually started it around 0530. WOR has been heard previous weeks on WJIE around 0515 UT Sun, unlike on weekdays when the hour is unmodulated. Yes, current edition in progress UT Tue Oct 22 at 0322-0331; I have heard me a few other days around 0300 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. X BAND AT A GLANCE - October 2002

1610

CJWI Montreal QUE FF Caribbean music.

1620

WPHG Atmore AL Rel/Gos. (but silent) poss resurrection as WPNS
WDND South Bend IN ESPN Radio 1620

KAZP Bellevue NE ESPN Sport ESPN ``The Zone``
WTAW College Station TX ëNewstalk 16-20 WTAWí CBS Nx
KBLI Blackfoot ID SS ``Radio Fiesta``
KYIZ Renton WA Black Oldies/Urban//KRIZ ``Z Twins``
KSMH West Sacramento, CA Rel. EWTN Global Catholic radio
WDHP Frederikstad, VI Variety.``The Reef`` //WRRR 1290 & WAXJ

1630

KCJJ Iowa City IA Hot AC /Classic Rock
KKWY Fox Farm WY C&W ID slogan ``Spirit of Wyoming.`` AP nx
KNAX Ft Worth/Dallas TX SS. Radio Vida/ Radio Dos Mil Dos.
WTEL Augusta GA ëNewstalk 1630 WTELí x WRDW

1640

WKSH Sussex WI Contemp Xtian. Salem Radio News.
KPBC Lake Oswego OR Black Gospel//KKSL. (soon to Disney)
KDIA Vallejo CA Talk/ ëBusiness Radio 1640í
KBJA Sandy UT SS/Radio Unica EE ID on hour

1650

WHKT Portsmouth VA Disney
KDNZ Cedar Falls IA Talk/ Sport ``The Talk Station``//KCNZ
KWHN Fort Smith AR News//KYHN ëNewstalk 1650 KWHNí
KBJD Denver CO Contemp Christian. ``The Beatí
KFOX Torrance CA Korean/ EE ID on hour

1660

KTIQ Merced CA Sports/Sp News ëThe Ticket``
WWRU Elizabeth NJ PP & SS Radio Unica/R. Portugal
WCNZ Marco Is FL ëNewsradio 1660í AP nx.
WQSN Kalamazoo MI Sports/talk ESPN// WKLZ 1470.
KRZX Waco TX ``Newstalk KRZX`` (off 6.p.m.-12 NZST)
KQWB West Fargo ND Standards ``Star 1660 is KQWB AMí CNN
KXOL Brigham City UT ``Big Oldies.``
KXTR Kansas City KS ëClassical 1660í
WGIT Canovanas PRico SS oldies ``El Gigante``

1670

WRNC Warner Robins GA Urban Gospel ``1670 The Light``
WTDY Madison WI Sports/Talk. ``1670 WTDY`` ``The Team``
KNRO Redding CA ``Reddingís ESPN Radio 1670 KNROí

1680

WTTM Princeton NJ Ethnic - Hindu
WTIR Winter Garden FL ``Travel Information Radio``
WJNZ Ada MI R&B/Rap ``1680 Jamz`` (night power 680w)
KAVT Fresno CA Disney/SS
KRJO Monroe LA Gospel. ``Gospel 1680``

1690

KDDZ Arvada CO Disney

KSXX Roseville CA SS rel. /Radio Tricolour/ & Asian. EE ID on hour.

WPTX Lexington Park Sporting News Network.

1700

WJCC Miami Springs FL SS/Rel/'`Radio Luz`'

WEUV Huntsville AL Black Gospel. ``Music of your Life.//1600 1kw

KTBK Sherman TX Sporting News Radio

KBGG Des Moines IA ëThe new AM 1700 KBGG``. CNN

KQXX Brownsville TX Oldies (880 watts night)

(NEW ZEALAND DX TIMES OCTOBER 2002 PAGE 33 via DXLD)

** U S A. Hi, just wanted to point out an error on your page:

<http://www.dxing.com/dxr/dxld2035.htm>

You mention that the Time Capsule Show ran from 1968 to 1974 -- The show actually ran from 1963 to 1977. A minor point, but I figured in case you're a perfectionist you'd want it correct on your site!

Thanks... (Erroll P. Foldes, NY, Oct 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Item is under USA, from DKOS, but this show was on WFUV. Actually, Big Steve mentioned it (gh, DXLD)

** UZBEKISTAN. 5025, 2130-, Radio Tashkent, Sep 26. No change during the last 30 years, with the usual sign on announcement in English, with excellent reception. Parallels were 11905 (excellent), 9545 (very good well over cochannel German). (Volodya Salmaniw, Kremenchuh, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN CITY. 5890, 0513-, Vatican Radio, Sep 25. English programming with good reception about learning Latin (Volodya Salmaniw, Brody, Ukraine, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA. EXPLOSIVE DEVICE THROWN AT VENEZUELAN RADIO STATION PREMISES | Excerpt from report by Venezuelan Union Radio web site text on 19 October

An explosive device was thrown at UniÛn Radio's headquarters at 0005 [local time] last night from an unidentified vehicle.

UniÛn Radio President Sergio Gûmez explained that "no-one was injured and property damage was minor, thank God, especially because no-one was hurt. It seems a car sped by and threw the device. What would have happened if one of the guards or operators had been outside smoking a cigarette? I imagine the shock wave could have killed him."

The UniÛn Radio president stressed: "I believe that we Venezuelans

have to stop this non-declared domestic conflict and stop treating each other as if there were two sides. This can be fun when it is between the people of Caracas and the people of Magallanes, but when you divide a country into two gangs, it always has very serious effects and we have to learn from what is happening to us and the history of other peoples."

Sergio Gómez said that "one feels attacked, one feels bad. What feeling of hatred can these people have in their heads to do such a thing? I really do not understand."

Sergio Gómez believes that the country's violence has become radicalized. "When there is a violent message, groups become radicalized and get out of control, which is what we are seeing. An example is what happened yesterday in central Caracas, the attacks on the media. Yesterday, we saw how Globovisión reporter Carla Angola was kicked."

The Unión Radio president stressed that the radio station will continue its course of informing the truth. "As a media company, this is not going to intimidate us, we are going to continue along the same course as we have been doing up to now. I believe that if all the people who work for Unión Radio examine our consciences, we have nothing to regret"... Source: Unión Radio web site text, Caracas, in Spanish 19 Oct 02 (via BBCM via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Re 6930: Glenn-- VLB2 is from the Mossad, Israeli intelligence. They can be heard nightly in much of NA. 2 means that there is no msg. I have a sked if Petro would like it. 73/ (Liz Cameron, MI, Oct 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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RECEIVER NEWS

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HAMMARLUND WEB SITE

has been updated and now includes a history of the Hammarlund Manufacturing Co.

http://www.hammarlund.info/info/company_history/co_history.pdf

Thanks for looking. (Les Locklear, SP-600 Historian,

<http://www.hammarlund.info/> via rec. radio.shortwave via SW Bulletin Oct 20 via DXLD)

THE ROCKWELL/COLLINS FILTER WEB-SITE at

[http://www.rockwellcollins.com/otherbusinesses/collins-](http://www.rockwellcollins.com/otherbusinesses/collins-filters/Index.asp)

[filters/Index.asp](http://www.rockwellcollins.com/otherbusinesses/collins-filters/Index.asp) has an introductory overview at

<http://www.rockwellcollins.com/otherbusinesses/collins-filters/what->

filter/ with application notes at
<http://www.rockwellcollins.com/otherbusinesses/collins-filters/notes/>
A page describing the older types is at the Collins Virtual Museum at
<http://www.wa3key.com/filters.html> (Albert P., BELLE ISLE, Cerberus
Systems, Inc. via rec.radio.shortwave via SW Bulletin Oct 20 via DXLD)

STATION E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Over the past couple of years I have been compiling a file of e-mail addresses, mainly those that do not appear in publications such as WRTV and PWBR. Of course a few do now appear in the latest issues of the above. I send most of my reports by e-mail these days and enjoy a reasonable return. Of course I do have those that "Bounce" sometimes even using e-mail addresses obtained from a station's website. In those instances I print the report and simply post it off with a short covering note explaining that their e-mail address "bounces back"

Voice of Armenia armen@arm.r.am or ARMEN@ARM.R.AM
Azerbaijan Radio root@aztv.baku.az
AWR_Broadcasts letters@awr.org
Christian Voice Int voice@vil.com.au
TWR Europe eurofreq@twr-europe.at_
V. of Afghanistan afbc2001@hotmail.com
TDP (Ludo Maes) tdp@tijd.com
Radio Bangladesh rrc@aitlbd.net or dgbetar@bd.drik.net
Bhutan BC bbs@bbs.com.bt
R. Bulgaria rbul@nationalradio.bg
R. Minsk @ Hrodna RadioGrodno@tut.by_
Bolivian Stations <http://www.schoechi.de/as-bol.htm>
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Hopefully some of these will be of use to members and while many of the above broadcasters have other addresses listed in various publications I have found that these seem to be the most favoured in many instances. If anyone requires info re e-mail addresses I am only too happy to assist if I can. You can email Ian at iancattermole@extra.co.nz or via P. O. Box 3011, Auckland (Chief Ed) (Ian Cattermole, Blenheim, NEW ZEALAND DX TIMES OCTOBER 2002 PAGE 36 via DXLD) #####